

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

## MScAgric Soil Science (03250456)

**Duration of study** 2 years

**Total credits** 180

### Programme information

#### Residence

On the recommendation of the head of department, the Dean may set specific residential requirements for the MScAgric degree.

#### Renewal of registration

As long as progress is satisfactory, renewal of the registration of a master's student will be accepted for the second year of the study. Registration for a third and subsequent years will only take place when the Student Administration of the Faculty receives a written motivation which is supported by the head of department and Postgraduate Studies Committee.

#### Curriculum

Subject to programme-specific requirements, the curriculum for the MScAgric degree consists of the following:

- A dissertation; and
- Further study in the major subject/s, augmented by ancillary modules prescribed by the Postgraduate Studies Committee, on the recommendation of the head of department. Such ancillary modules may be taken simultaneously with the major subject/s. Candidates in possession of the BScAgricHons degree may be exempted from additional ancillary modules.

#### General

Candidates are required to familiarise themselves with the General Regulations regarding the maximum period of registration and the requirements on the submission of a draft article for publication.

### Admission requirements

A four-year Applied Soil Science degree or equivalent qualification with a minimum average of 60% is required for admission. In addition, a motivation letter reflecting research interest should accompany the application form. Selection of students will be based on academic performance, the motivation letter, available supervisory capacity and research project funding.

### Other programme-specific information

Depending on the academic background of the student and the chosen area of study, it may be required of the student to do additional coursework.

## Examinations and pass requirements

- i. The examinations in the ancillary modules should be successfully completed prior to, or simultaneously with, the examinations in the major subject/s, unless the Faculty Board decides otherwise.
- ii. General Regulation G.12.2 applies to the calculation of marks.
- iii. In order to obtain the MScAgric degree, the candidate must pass all prescribed modules, including the examination in the major subject/s, as well as the dissertation.

## Curriculum: Year 1

### Core modules

#### Dissertation: Soil science 890 (GDK 890)

<b>Module credits</b>	180.00
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Language of tuition</b>	English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Plant Production and Soil Sc
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Year

#### Module content

This module involves the development, presentation and approval of a research proposal, the execution of the research project, and the writing up and presentation of the research results. In addition to the dissertation, the student is also expected to compile a concept research paper for publication

## Curriculum: Final year

### Core modules

#### Dissertation: Soil science 890 (GDK 890)

<b>Module credits</b>	180.00
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Language of tuition</b>	English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Plant Production and Soil Sc
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Year

#### Module content

This module involves the development, presentation and approval of a research proposal, the execution of the research project, and the writing up and presentation of the research results. In addition to the dissertation, the student is also expected to compile a concept research paper for publication

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